

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

PASSED BY THE TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

NUMBER 1.

JOINT RESOLUTION AND MEMORIAL of the General Assembly of Iowa.
Relating to a Northwestern Branch of the National Home for Disabled and
Indigent Soldiers and Sailors.

WHEREAS, The policy of the general government is to make suitable provision for the care of disabled and indigent soldiers and sailors of the civil war through the maintenance of National Soldiers' Homes, and

WHEREAS, A very large number of the old soldiers and sailors at the close of the war, sought residence in the northwest in order that they might avail themselves of the free lands of the government, and in hope of being better able here than elsewhere to provide for the future support of themselves and families; and

WHEREAS, The government as yet has made no provision for the establishment of a branch of said home in the northwest; and in view of the further fact that the homes already created are inadequate for the care of old soldiers and sailors eligible to admission; therefore

Be it Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,

That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be earnestly requested to exert themselves to present the needs of the soldiers and sailors of the northwest in this regard, and to labor as their wisdom and sense of justice may dictate, to the end that provision be made by Congress for a northwestern branch of the Soldiers' Home; and that our Senators and Representatives furthermore make all proper effort to secure the location of such northwestern branch within the State of Iowa, as in the judgment of this General Assembly such location would best accommodate the largest number of old soldiers and sailors to whom such home would be available in time of misfortune as a just recognition of a faithful government of their services and sacrifices in time of great national emergency.

Approved February 18, 1886.